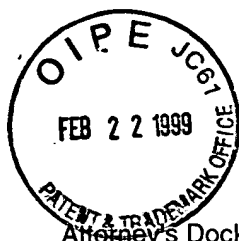


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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 25, 1998, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 2, after "store", delete "an" and insert in place thereof --a--; line 3, after "identification of", delete "the" and insert in place thereof --a--.

Claim 7, line 2, after "store", delete "an" and insert in place thereof --a--; line 3, after "identification of", delete "the" and insert in place thereof --a--.